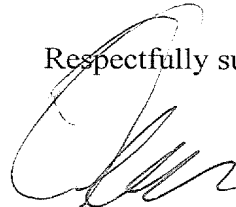


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### REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the detailed examination evidenced by the Final Official Action mailed July 16, 2007. In response, Applicants have provided the present Amendment along with a Request for Continued Examination. Applicants respectfully request entry of the present Amendment and favorable examination of the claims. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned in the event that such communication will expedite prosecution of the present matter.

Respectfully submitted,

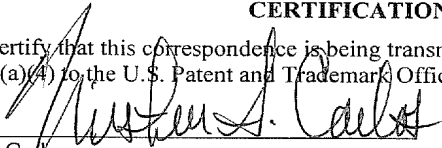


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